

Adult Short Term Training

Title: Workforce Training Network

Short Term Training Centers: The short term training centers in the six technical colleges in Idaho and the Idaho Department of Commerce and Labor form the Workforce Training Network (WTN) to help facilitate training projects that cross regional boundaries in the state. The WTN's mission is to coordinate the delivery of statewide customized training to meet the needs of Idaho's employers and citizens. The website is www.WTNIdaho.com. Funding for projects that have statewide-impact is made available to the WTN members upon application and approval by the WTN members. These projects generally are in the area of curriculum development or skills need to provide industry training. They are reviewed on a case by case basis.

Short Term Training Funding: To assist the post secondary institutions in providing adult short term training the Division provides grant funding to assist in an organizational infrastructure. Fees charged for the delivery of short term/adult training classes are determined by each technical college delivering the training. Classes are offered to individuals who are upgrading their present job skills, gaining new skills to retain their positions; retraining, and/or training customized for a specific company or industry.

Workforce Training Fee: The work force training fee is defined in SBOE Governing Policies and Procedures Manual, Section V, Financial Affairs, Subsection R, Establishment of Fees, paragraph 1.a. (12). Workforce Training Credit fee is defined as a fee charged students enrolled in a qualified Workforce Training course where the student elects to receive credit. The fee is charged for processing and transcribing the credit. The cost of delivering Workforce Training courses, which typically are noncredit, is an additional fee since Workforce Training courses are self-supporting. The fees, \$10.00 per credit, for delivering the courses are retained by the technical colleges.

Workforce Development Training Fund: The Workforce Development Training Fund helps eligible Idaho companies with up to \$2,000 per employee for job skill training. It can provide job skill training for new employees of companies expanding in Idaho and skill upgrade training of current workers who are at risk of being permanently laid off in order to prevent the lay off. See link at www.cl.idaho.gov

Idaho's technical colleges located in each region of the state are willing partners to deliver customized training suited to the specific needs of a company using these funds. Idaho Commerce and Labor and the State Division of Professional-Technical Education are responsible for reviewing and approving applicants and are available to provide technical assistance and evaluation of projects.

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